## Dear Sir/Madam,

PATIENT NAME is an active patient within my practice. He/she has struggled with weight management for many years. Despite diligent attention to lifestyle management in the form of diet and exercise, she/he has been unsuccessful in weight reduction.

As you are aware, recent research has identified obesity as a chronic disease whose presence often precedes the development of other significant chronic diseases like diabetes, cardiovascular disease, osteoarthritis and many forms of cancer. After consultation with me, he/she would like to aggressively manage his/her risk factors to prevent the development of these conditions. As a result, I am respectfully requesting special consideration for coverage of DRUG NAME. There is good data available in the literature supporting the use of this drug to increase weight loss and lower the risk of associated chronic diseases. The patient will be monitored closely for the efficacy through my office.

We eagerly await your response to our request. As you are aware, early mitigation of risk factors like obesity are very effective in preventing long term illnesses that are both devastating and costly to the health care system. I applaud my patient's motivation to change the course of his/her future health and hope that you will find it feasible to assist in that end.

Sincerely,		